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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

VIA : Bruce C. Clarke, Jr.
Deputy Director, National Foreign Assessment

FROM :
Assistant National Intelligence Officer for USSR-EE

SUBJECT : Outside Guests for DCI Dinner on 8 November 1979

1. I want to introduce you to our four outside guests before the 8 November dinner. As you know, the subject for discussion is the reliability of the East European states from the Soviet perspective, and particularly the reliability of East European populations, governments, and military establishments under conditions of domestic crisis or war.

2. James F. Brown. Jim Brown is Director of Radio Free Europe in Munich. An East European analyst of long standing, he has published books on Soviet/East European relations and on Bulgaria, as well as numerous articles on domestic and international developments in Eastern Europe over the last twenty years. He is very au courant, and is among the best East European "watchers" in the West.

3. A. Ross Johnson. Ross Johnson is a senior staff member at the Rand Corporation, and is presently leading a study there on how the media functions and is controlled in Communist countries. Ross has published a book on the ideological orientation of Yugoslavia during the early 1950's, and many articles on political developments in Poland and Yugoslavia.

4. Melvin Croan. Mel Croan is a professor of political science at the University of Wisconsin, and a specialist in East German affairs and in Soviet policies towards East Central Europe. Mel has published widely on East German developments, and is currently working on a project which deals with the Warsaw Pact aid to Third World states.

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5. Paul Marrer. Paul is an economist at the University of Indiana who focuses on Eastern Europe, and is well qualified to address the political implications of current and projected economic difficulties in Eastern Europe, and how these may impinge on reliability.



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